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¶1. (SBU) Charge d'Affaires delivered reftel talking points to Mihaly Bayer, Hungary's ambassador-at-large for the Nabucco project. Bayer promised to pass the points to Hungary's delegation to the negotiations on the interstate agreement (ISA), which he expected to conclude today (May 29).

¶2. (SBU) He indicated Hungary could support consensus on our request, but feared the commercial implications might make consensus difficult. In Bayer's words, eliminating the reference to an entry point at the Iranian-Turkish border could result in a sound government document, but no business deal. Charge shared our reftel's "acceptable" language and Bayer said he would ensure our proposal was considered.
Levine